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For: METHOD FOR HOLDING SUBSTRATE IN VACUUM, METHOD FOR
MANUFACTURING LIQUID CRYSTAL
DISPLAY DEVICE, AND DEVICE FOR
HOLDING SUBSTRATE

Examiner: S. Maki

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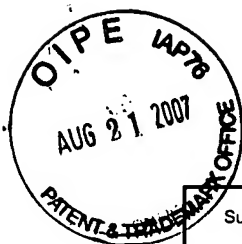
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